

Keeping Girls in School Act: H.R. 2153, amended, to support empowerment, economic security, and educational opportunities for adolescent girls around the world.

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Privileged Resolution: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 86, providing for a joint session of Congress to receive a message from the President.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H605–06, H606, and H606–07. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Committee Meetings

TO REVIEW IMPLEMENTATION OF FARM BILL CONSERVATION PROGRAMS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry held a hearing entitled “To Review Implementation of Farm Bill Conservation Programs”. Testimony was heard from Matthew Lohr, Chief, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Department of Agriculture; and Richard Fordyce, Administrator, Farm Service Agency, Department of Agriculture.

SECURITY UPDATE ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Security Update on the Korean Peninsula”. Testimony was heard from John C. Rood, Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Department of Defense; and Lieutenant Gen. David W. Allvin, Director for Strategy, Plans and Policy—J5, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

EXPECTING MORE: ADDRESSING AMERICA’S MATERNAL AND INFANT HEALTH CRISIS

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions; and Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a joint hearing entitled “Expecting More: Addressing America’s Maternal and Infant Health Crisis”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OUT OF CONTROL: THE IMPACT OF WILDFIRES ON OUR POWER SECTOR AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy; and Subcommittee on Environment and Climate Change held a joint hearing entitled “Out of Control: The Impact of Wildfires on our Power Sec-

tor and the Environment”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LEGISLATION TO PROMOTE THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF RACEHORSES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Consumer Protection held a hearing entitled “Legislation to Promote the Health and Safety of Racehorses”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ESCALATION WITH IRAN: OUTCOMES AND IMPLICATIONS FOR U.S. INTERESTS AND REGIONAL STABILITY

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Middle East, North Africa, and International Terrorism held a hearing entitled “Escalation with Iran: Outcomes and Implications for U.S. Interests and Regional Stability”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ENDING GLOBAL RELIGIOUS PERSECUTION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights and International Organizations; and Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Civil Liberties of the House Committee on Oversight and Reform held a joint hearing entitled “Ending Global Religious Persecution”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FENTANYL ANALOGUES: PERSPECTIVES ON CLASSWIDE SCHEDULING

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held a hearing entitled “Fentanyl Analogues: Perspectives on Classwide Scheduling”. Testimony was heard from Brett P. Giroir, Assistant Secretary for Health, Department of Health and Human Services; Amanda Liskamm, Director of Opioid Enforcement and Prevention Efforts, Department of Justice; Kevin L. Butler, Federal Public Defender, Northern District, Alabama; and public witnesses.

THE IMPORTANCE OF PUBLIC DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS FOR PROTECTING HUMAN HEALTH, THE CLIMATE, AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing entitled “The Importance of Public Disclosure Requirements for Protecting Human Health, the Climate, and the Environment”. Testimony was heard from Victor Snover, Mayor, Aztec, New Mexico; and public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife held a hearing on H.R.

4891, the “Western Water Security Act of 2019”; H.R. 5316, the “Move Water Now Act”; and H.R. 5347, the “Disadvantaged Community Drinking Water Assistance Act”. Testimony was heard from Representatives Torres Small of New Mexico and Cox of California; Grayford Payne, Deputy Commissioner for Policy, Administration, and Budget, Bureau of Reclamation; and public witnesses.

EXAMINING THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION'S AFGHANISTAN STRATEGY

Committee on Oversight and Reform: Subcommittee on National Security held a hearing entitled “Examining the Trump Administration’s Afghanistan Strategy”. Testimony was heard from John F. Sopko, Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction.

PROTECTING THOSE WHO BLOW THE WHISTLE ON GOVERNMENT WRONGDOING

Committee on Oversight and Reform: Subcommittee on Government Operations held a hearing entitled “Protecting Those Who Blow the Whistle on Government Wrongdoing”. Testimony was heard from Glenn A. Fine, Principal Deputy Inspector General Performing the Duties of the Inspector General, Department of Defense; Michael E. Horowitz, Inspector General, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

GSA OUTLEASES AND THE TRUMP OLD POST OFFICE HOTEL

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management held a hearing entitled “GSA Outleases and the Trump Old Post Office Hotel”. Testimony was heard from Emily W. Murphy, Administrator, General Services Administration.

LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS FOR PAID FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE

Committee on Ways and Means: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Legislative Proposals for Paid Family and Medical Leave”. Testimony was heard from Representatives Wagner, DeLauro, and Stefanik; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

HUMAN RIGHTS IN CRIMEA

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine the state of human rights in Crimea, after receiving testimony from Oleg Sentsov, Ukrainian writer and filmmaker,

and Tamila Tasheva, Deputy Permanent Representative of the President of Ukraine in the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, both of Kyiv, Ukraine; and Melinda Haring, Atlantic Council Eurasia Center, Washington, D.C.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D82)

H.R. 263, to rename the Oyster Bay National Wildlife Refuge as the Congressman Lester Wolff Oyster Bay National Wildlife Refuge. Signed on January 27, 2020. (Public Law 116–110)

H.R. 434, to amend the National Trails System Act to provide for the study of the Emancipation National Historic Trail. Signed on January 27, 2020. (Public Law 116–111)

S. 457, to require that \$1 coins issued during 2019 honor President George H. W. Bush and to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to issue bullion coins during 2019 in honor of Barbara Bush. Signed on January 27, 2020. (Public Law 116–112)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2020

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine stakeholder perspectives on the importance of the United States Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board, 10 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: business meeting to consider S. 785, to improve mental health care provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs, S. 2336, to improve the management of information technology projects and investments of the Department of Veterans Affairs, S. 2864, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program on information sharing between the Department of Veterans Affairs and designated relatives and friends of veterans regarding the assistance and benefits available to the veterans, S. 524, to establish the Department of Veterans Affairs Advisory Committee on Tribal and Indian Affairs, S. 2594, to amend title 5, United States Code, to modify certain requirements with respect to service and retirement for the purposes of veterans' preference for Federal hiring, S. 850, to extend the authorization of appropriations to the Department of Veterans Affairs for purposes of awarding grants to veterans service organizations for the transportation of highly rural veterans, S. 3110, to direct the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study on disability and pension benefits provided to members of the National Guard and members of reserve components of the Armed Forces by the Department of Veterans Affairs, S. 123, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into a contract or other agreement with a third party to review